



City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street
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Meeting Minutes

BOARD OF HEALTH

*Ruthie Burich-Weatherly, Caroline Gomez-Tom, Bria Grant, Dr.
Ian Martin, Julia Means, Ericka Sinclair, and Wujie Zhang*

Thursday, September 1, 2022

5:30 PM

City Hall, 200 E Wells St, Rm 301A

1. Call to order

Board Chair Ruthie Burich-Weatherly called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm

2. Roll call

Present: Ruthie Burich-Weatherly (Chair), Ericka Sinclair (Vice Chair), Caroline Gomez-Tom, Bria Grant, Julia Means, Dr. Ian Martin, and Wujie Zhang

Absent:

Excused:

3. Approval of July 2, 2022 and July 29, 2022 Board meeting minutes

Board member Julia Means motioned to approve, Board member Dr. Ian Martin second, the motioned passed with all in favor and none opposed for July 7, 2002 meeting minutes.

Board member Dr. Ian Martin motioned to approve, Board member Wujie Zhang second, the motioned passed with all in favor and none opposed for July 29, 2002 meeting minutes.

4. Nominations and Election of Officers

a. Discussion

b. Installation

Chair: Board member Ericka Sinclair nominated Board member Caroline Gomez-Tom for Chair, Board member Dr. Ian Martin seconded the motion, with all in favor and none opposed.

Vice Chair: Board member Bria Grant nominated Board member Ruthie Burich-Weatherly for Vice Chair, Board member Ericka Sinclair seconded the motion, with all in favor and none opposed.

5. Communication from MHD Commissioner Kirsten Johnson

a. Presentation

b. Questions

Commissioner Johnson presented an update on COVID-19 Pandemic response including CDC updates revolving around their focus on preventing instances of severe COVID-19, case burden, vaccine recommendations and mask guidance.

Commissioner Johnson also presented an update on Monkeypox, Milwaukee cases, symptoms, how it spreads, and treatments

[211824](#) Communication relating to those documents submitted to the Board of Health for its meetings in 2022.

6. Discussion and review of communiqué submitted by Board Director Grant
a. Review
b. Discussion

Reviewed and edited letter to the Mayor's office regarding the Office of Violence Prevention. Board member Wujie Zhang motioned to approve, Board member Dr. Ian Martin seconded the motion with all in favor and none opposed.

Standing Agenda Items:

7. Discussion of DHS 140 certification
a. Communiqué to Board Chair Weatherly from DHS
b. Questions

DHS sends kudos to the MHD, Commissioner Kirsten Johnson and the Board of Health

8. Home Environmental Health (Lead Program) MHD Deputy Commissioner Tyler Weber
a. Questions

Deputy Commissioner Tyler Weber provided lead updates including purchases made with ARPA dollars, lead ordinance implementation, system updates/quality improvement, and salary studies

9. Strategic Planning, MHD Deputy Commissioner, Bailey Murph
a. Questions

Deputy Commissioner Bailey Murph provided updates regarding the strategic plan rollout and implementation

10. MHD Branch Collaboration updates
a. Board presentation & discussion

Hold until next meeting scheduled for November 3, 2022

11. Introduction Office of Violence Prevention (OVP) Director Ashanti Hamilton

a. Questions

Director Ashanti Hamilton presented an OVP updated including the staffing shortage, DER's commitment to get positions filled quickly, grant obligations and redesigning the structure of OVP.

12. Board Vacancies

a. Considerations

b. Discussion

The BoH will invite Oscar Tovar from the Mayor's office, to a future board meeting to discuss vacancies and the application and selection process.

13. Future agenda items

a. Next board meeting, November 3, 2022. This will be in person (hybrid).

Hold until next meeting scheduled for November 3, 2022

14. Adjournment

Board member Dr. Ian Martin motioned to adjourn, Board member Wujie Zhang seconded the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm

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